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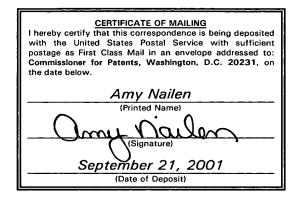
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In Response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on August 16, 2001, in the above-identified application, transmitted herewith are the required papers needed to complete the filing of the subject patent application and/or to make the subject patent application "formal".

## Enclosed are:

- [X] Copy of Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. (1 pg.)
- [X] Copy of the Application as Corrected. (20 pgs.)
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (1 pg.)
- [X] PTO-1449 (31 references)

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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).

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